

JUNE 1983

- 2nd. Sqn.Ldr. Chris Paish. Flt.Lt. Graham Clark. Flt.Sgt. Steve Lynch.
Diving incident about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from Easington. A body was picked up and taken to Hull R.I.
- 4th. Flt.Lt. Andy Kirkup. Flt.Lt. Mark Hewitt. Flt.Sgt. Warwick Laken.
Off to Filey Brigg to pick up an exhausted skin diver who had struggled ashore. Local fishermen had emptied him out and he was OK by the time they arrived.
- 4th. Same crew trying to hog it. This time an old lady who had become separated from her family on the moors (was it lagging behind or a call of nature?). She was found by the Fell Rescue Team and flown by the crew to hospital for a check. Would you believe her name was Old Mother Riley?
- 6th. Same crew - successfully hogging it. This time someone got their own back - a hoax call about someone in distress in the sea off Skipsea.
- 8th. Flt.Lt. John Sutherland. Flt.Lt. Adrian Rule. Master SLM Eric Ainslie.
Missing swimmer at Mablethorpe. Found safe - no action required.
- 8th. Flt.Lt. Paul Longden. Flt.Lt. Mark Hewitt. Master ALM Dave Allen.
The Fishing Vessel 'Betty' reported that she had picked up a body in the sea well out of Bridlington Bay. Lifted from the boat and taken to Hull R.I., and an extensive search carried out for others in the area. The next day an aircraft was found not to have returned to Shepbourne-in-Elmet and the body the Betty had picked up was identified as that of the pilot. What happened???
- 9th. Flt.Lt. John Sutherland. Flt.Lt. Adrian Rule. Master ALM Eric Ainslie.
A 14 year old with a broken wrist taken from Filey Brigg to Scarborough Hospital.
- 12th. Flt.Lt. Paul Longden. Master Nav Ron Dedmen. Sgt. Terry Williamson.
A member of the crew on the tanker 'Chelsea' off Humber gashed his head open. Taken to Hull R.I. Congratulations to Paul - believed to be his first live one.
- 15th. Flt.Lt. Andy Kirkup. Flt.Lt. Graham Clark. Master ALM Dave Allen
Another shriek on 243 when a Vulcan doing in flight refuelling broke the probe from the tanker, sucked neat fuel in and blew out all four engines in spectacular fashion. He managed to re-start all four. His crew want half an hour of their lives back. No action required from our crew.
- 19th. Sqn.Ldr. Chris Paish. Flt.Lt. Mark Hewitt. Flt.Sgt. Warwick Laken.
A motor cyclist seriously hurt in a scrambling event in the Yorkshire Dales was taken to Airdale Hospital.
- 19th. Same Crew - this time a 4 year old girl missing from Butlins at Filey (so much for Redcoats). Cliff and Beach searched, but she was found by someone else.
- 21st/
22nd. Sqn.Ldr. Chris Paish. Flt.Lt. Adrian Rule. Sgt. Terry Williamson.
Apparently some ten hours earlier the Dutch Fishing Vessel 'Breend' had caught fire and sunk in a matter of minutes. The four man crew took to an inflatable and were luckily spotted by a Greek Tanker and taken on board. In pretty foul weather late in the evening they were picked off the tanker some 90 miles out, and eventually taken to Leeming as Leconfield had fogged out. The crew came home early the next day.

SEE OVER FOR FURTHER ADVENTURES

JUNE 1983

- 26th Sqn Ldr Chris Paish. Flt Lt Mark Hewitt. MALM Gordon Davies.
Alouette Helicopter crashed on Gat Sands in the Wash and both Coltishall (with a Manston Crew) and ourselves were scrambled. As the Coltishall crew arrived well before our lads we were recalled.
- 26th Same crew determined to do something useful later in the afternoon - but they didn't!! Search for a missing man south of Scarborough. Nothing found.
- 26th Still full of determination this lot!!!! a possible body sighted in the sea off Hornsea. Needless to say... nothing found.
- 27th Sqn Ldr Jeff Whitehead. Flt.Lt. Graham Clark. MALM Dave Allen.
Not the same man we hope, but another missing from Filey. Eventually he was found in the bus shelter in the centre of town.
- 29th Sqn Ldr Jeff Whitehead. Flt Lt Adrian Rule. MALM Dave Allen.
An Elderly holidaymaker in a fishing cobbie off Bridlington had a heart attack. Could'nt complain at the service either - from first report to the time the helicopter landed back here was a total time of 30 minutes.

Yorks pilot's flight to tragedy in the sea

A Yorkshire pilot's flight to the coast ended in tragedy when his plane presumably crashed in the sea and sank, it was revealed today.

The body of Mr. David Shackleton, 39, of Allerton Drive, Nether Poppleton, York, was recovered seven miles off Bridlington on Wednesday by the Bridlington fishing boat Betty.

At first police were baffled until the body was identified as Mr. Shackleton who had not been seen since taking off in a Cessna from Sherburn-in-Elmet, near Leeds, to fly to Scarborough and back.

Coastguards said the Bridlington Lifeboat and an RAF helicopter made an extensive search of the area but no sign of the aircraft had been found.

An extensive search had also been made of the whole of Bridlington Bay.

It was presumed to have crashed and sunk.

Today pilots and groundstaff at Sherburn Aero Club expressed disbelief at the tragedy.

Mr. John Harris, the chief flying instructor said: "It is a complete mystery. David was a very experienced pilot. He had got a relatively large number of flying hours, about 400."

Mr. Shackleton's wife Pauline, was too distressed to talk about the tragedy at her home today. The couple have one daughter Louise.

Mystery of man in sea sparks big search

A sea mystery developed seven miles off the Yorkshire coast when a man "more dead than alive," was plucked from the water by the crew of the Bridlington fishing boat Betty.

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WINCH

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After flying the man to Hull Royal Infirmary, the helicopter returned to search the area with a Bridlington lifeboat.

Flt. Lt. Longden added: "We spent two-and-a-half hours searching the area, but we were unable to find any wreckage or any indication of what might have happened."

During the search the lifeboat came across a rubber dinghy with two people aboard, they were all right and said they knew nothing of the incident.

One of the lifeboat crew said that the weather was calm and visibility good during the search, which was expected to be resumed today.

A Humberside police spokesman said the man was aged 30 to 40, 5ft. 10in., well-built with black curly hair going bald.

He was wearing brown trousers, a red shirt with white stripes, suede shoes with brass buckles and an Everite wrist-watch with a black leather strap.

Anyone who can help to identify the man is asked to contact the police at Bridlington on 0262 72222.

8 JUNE 83

FLTL PAUL LONGDEN
FLTL MARK HEWITT
MALM DAVE ALLEN

Pilot's sea death stays a mystery

AD420

THE DEATH of a light aircraft pilot found in the North Sea was still a mystery last night.

David Shackleton's body was found by the crew of a fishing boat floating in the sea three days ago.

Man found in sea had been in plane

The man found in the sea eight miles off Bridlington last Wednesday night has been identified as the pilot of a light aeroplane on a flight from the York area to Scarborough.

He was Mr David Shackleton (39), of Allerton Drive, Nether Poppleton, near York, who was found to be dead on arrival at Hull Royal Infirmary. The crew of the Bridlington trawler, Betty, who found him, and the crew of an RAF helicopter had tried to revive him.

Investigations were being continued by Humberside police officers to discover why the plane, a Cessna, was so far out to sea.

The man was sighted in the sea about 5.30 pm and, although a search went on until darkness, there was no sign of any wreckage — and the man, who was wearing only a shirt and trousers, had no identification on him.

A police spokesman said: "Our inquiries will be continuing but the coroner has been notified."

A post mortem was carried out on Mr Shackleton, who was a public relations manager with John Smith's Brewery at Tadcaster.

Married with a teenage daughter, he had been a pilot for about six years and had 400 hours flying experience. On the day he was found in the sea he had set out from Sherburn Aero Club.

But repeated searches by sea and air, have so far failed to shed light on the tragedy and no trace of his missing Cessna 150 has been found.

The 39-year-old public relations manager was an experienced pilot with many hours of flying behind him. When he took off in the late afternoon of Wednesday the weather was good.

Shortly before takeoff at 4 p.m., from the Sherburn-in-Elmet airfield near York, he gave his destinations as Scarborough, Otteringham and North Humberside before flying back.

But an hour and a half later the coastguard at Bridlington reported that the crew of a fishing boat had picked up his body seven miles south east of Flamborough Head.

An RAF helicopter flew the body to Hull Royal Infirmary and it was identified as Mr Shackleton 28 hours later, after the aircraft was notified missing.

Mr Shackleton, married with a teenage daughter, lived in Allerton Drive, Nether Poppleton, near York.

New engine

He had been a member of the Sherburn Aero Club for more than six years and was well qualified to fly the American designed single-engine two seater he took out.

The coastguard and a chopper made sweeps of the area where he was found — several miles off his planned route — but no sign of wreckage has been found.

The aircraft had been flown regularly by other club members and is believed to have had a new engine fitted recently. Mr Shackleton himself is thought to have usually flown a four-seater.

Body of York pilot found in sea

AD420

A YORK civil flying enthusiast died when his light aircraft crashed into the sea off Bridlington.

He was Mr David Shackleton, aged 39, of 47 Allerton Drive, Nether Poppleton, public relations manager of John Smith's Brewery, Tadcaster, for the last six years.

He leaves a widow, Pauline, and a teenage daughter, Louise.

His body was found in the sea seven miles south east of Bridlington harbour by a fishing boat.

A member of Sherburn Aero Club, Sherburn-in-Elmet, near Selby, he had taken off in a Cessna plane for a solo flight along the Yorkshire coast on Wednesday.

Shocked

Coastguards said Bridlington lifeboat and an RAF helicopter made an extensive search of the area but found no sign of the crashed aircraft.

Mr Shackleton had flown light aircraft for many years.

He was also press officer of the Ouse area of St John Ambulance.

News of his death reached shocked colleagues today.

"I am shattered," said Mr Guy Powell, services director at the brewery and Ouse Area commissioner for St John Ambulance.

"He was a professional public relations man and an enormous help to me," he said.

Mr Shackleton masterminded a major recruiting campaign for St John last year. His other ventures included organising a fashion show at York University to raise funds for the first-aid group.

He was known to have been in radio contact with both RAF Church Fenton and the London Air Traffic Control centre during his flight, but no May Day call was heard.

One stunned club member said yesterday that the dead man had been a skilled and experienced pilot with years of flying behind him.

He said that the club was mystified as to what could have happened during the flight.

An accident investigation team from the Department of Trade launched an inquiry yesterday interviewed club officials.

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PAUL LONGDEN

MARK HEWITT

DAVE ALLEN

Fiona's flying start!



A surprise for Fiona Cullen, joining the RAF on her 18th birthday, when she received a cake from Flt Lt Steve Clements (left) of the RAF Careers Office before a flight in a helicopter at Leconfield piloted by Sqd. Ldr. Jeff Whitehead (right).

7 MAY 83

A DRIFFIELD girl had a memorable start to her career in the RAF, when she joined the service on her 18th birthday.

Hardly had Fiona Cullen's feet touched the ground, after signing the official forms to become Aircraftwoman Cullen, she was whisked away for a surprise celebration, which included her first-ever helicopter flight from RAF Leconfield.

Before taking off in a Wessex helicopter, Fiona, who is to train as a telecommunications engineer, was presented with a specially-iced cake by Fl. Lt. Stephen Clements, of the RAF Career's Office in Hull.

Fl. Lt. Clements said he thought it was the first time that a new recruit had been welcomed into the RAF with a helicopter flight.

But they had wanted Fiona's first day to be a day to remember.

"She has probably set a new record as the first recruit to be airborne within half-an-hour of joining up" he said.

A former pupil of Driffield School, Fiona scored a notable "first" last year, by being the first girl to complete an electronics and mechanics course at college in Hull.

OVERWHELMED

Fiona, whose parents, Mr and Mrs Stan Cullen, recently moved from their home in Driffield to Burnby Lane, Pocklington, said she was overwhelmed by the surprise reception.

"It really was sprung on me.

"My dad said I would have a surprise today, but I did not expect anything like this."

After a celebration meal with her parents on Saturday night, Fiona left yesterday for a basic training at RAF Swinderby, from where she will be posted to RAF Locking at Westonsuper-Mare.

8 June 83

PAUL LONGER
MARK HEMIT
DAVE ALLEN



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● Pictured with a delighted Fiona are (left) Flt Lt Clements and Wessex pilot Sqn Ldr Jeff Whitehead.

THE SMILES DISGUISED THE
UTTER LACK OF KNOWLEDGE
THAT THE PILOT HAD JUST
BEEN TOLD HE NEEDS GLASSES.

CHARITY RALLY WITH BLIND NAVIGATORS

Thirty drivers with blind navigators, using braille clues will take part in a "Braille Rally" on Aug. 21 to raise money for Henshaw's Society for the Blind, Manchester.

The drivers will be members of the Lancs and Cheshire Car Club, which has organised the rally as part of its 50th anniversary celebrations. The crews will have to find a number of control points on a 50-mile route around Cheshire, starting and finishing at Oulton Park racing circuit.

The winner will be the one finding the most controls, and at the finish the blind navigators will be asked motoring questions.

AN INTERESTING SEQUEL TO
THIS : AFTER A REALLY TIGHT
DING-DONG BATTLE THERE WAS A
DEAD HEAT (AFTER A RECOUNT) FOR
28TH PLACE BETWEEN : ADRIAN RULE
MARK HEWITT
GRAHAM CLARK.

UNFORTUNATELY RON DEDMAN WAS
VERY BADLY TREATED, IN OUR OPINION,
WITH NO AGE ALLOWANCE.

HE WAS DISQUALIFIED FOR FAILING
TO FIND THE START.

HOLLO



SL WHITCHARD
SL WHITT
MAM DAVIS.
SCRAPBOOK DRAW



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'A' FLIGHT

NO:- 3 TRG SQN

RAF SWINDRBY

LINCOLN

LNG AQE.

12 MAY 1983.

To all at 'D' Flight

Thanks to all of you

for making my attestation day
and 18th birthday a day to
remember, nothing could have
been better.

Life here at RAF Swindrby
has been great so far and I'm
really enjoying it. Our marching
isn't too bad and the flight
seem to be shaping up well.

I'm sorry I haven't been
able to thank you before now
but as I'm sure you can
appreciate time just isn't
our own here. Perhaps I'll
see you all again once I've
passed out from here but
until then keep up the good
work.

Fiona

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ANDY
MILLER

ERIC
AINSLIE



40 FOOT
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ANDY MILLER (SLIGHTLY DEAF?!!)
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Biker rescued in 'copter drama on the moors

A 37-year-old cross-country motorcyclist was recovering today after a dramatic helicopter rescue from one of Yorkshire's bleakest moorlands.

Mr. Terry Yates, one of a five-man party from Pendle Motor-cycle Club, was plucked from the slopes of Blea Moor, near Ribbleshead, after an 80-mile dash by a Wessex helicopter from RAF Leconfield's Air/Sea Rescue Squadron on Humberside.

Another 17 minutes in the air, and Mr. Yates, who suffered serious injury when he fell off his bike on the Moor, was being treated at Airedale General Hospital, Keighley, nearly 40 miles away.

He was today said to be "satisfactory" after surgery for internal injuries.

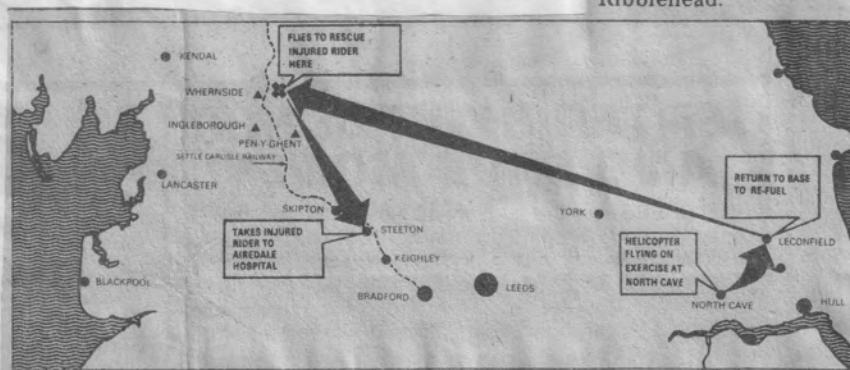
Mr. Yates, of Rossendale, Lancs., had set off from Ribbleshead to Dent when the accident occurred on a boggy hillside three miles from the nearest road.

TORTUOUS MARCH

A 12-man team from the Cave Rescue Organisation rushed to the scene, and found him having difficulty with his breathing.

They decided to call out the helicopter rescue, and in the meantime began the tortuous march down the mountain with the injured man sat upright on the stretcher to allow him to breathe.

The helicopter was on a training flight at North Cave, near Hull, and had to return to base to refuel before heading for Ribbleshead.



19 JUNE 83

CHRIS PAISH

MARK HEWITT

WARWICK LAKEN

Cross Buildings,
Crawshawbooth,
Rossendale,
Lancs.

25th June, 1983

To the Air Rescue Crew who
flew the injured motor cyclist to Airedale
Hospital on Sunday, 19th June.

My husband and myself would like to
thank you very much for your kind assistance
in getting him to hospital following his
recent motor cycle accident on the fells.

He is making a satisfactory recovery
following an operation which was performed
with very little time to spare. Without
your support the outcome could have been
very different.

Our sincere and grateful thanks to all
concerned.

Terry & Geraldine Yates

SQU LDR CHRIS PAISH

FLT LT MARK HEWITT

FLT SGT WARWICK LAKEN

Helicopter search for girl (4)

Filey inshore lifeboat and an RAF helicopter spent two and a half hours searching for a young girl holidaymaker.

The four-year-old girl went missing from Butlins Holiday Camp at about 4 pm and Filey coastguard was alerted two hours later.

The lifeboat and the helicopter made a sweep of Filey Bay, but the girl was eventually found in the medical centre at Butlins at about 8.30 pm.

The coastguard searched Filey beach for another four-year-old. He also turned up in a local holiday camp.

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CHRIS PAISH

MARK HEWITT

WARWICK LAKEN

2ND JOB OF THE DAY!!

Injured seaman airlifted

AN INJURED seaman from El Salvador was airlifted by helicopter to Hull Royal Infirmary yesterday afternoon.

He was working aboard the 24,000 tonne tanker, Chelsea, off the Whitby coast, when he was hit by a hose and suffered head injuries.

An air-sea rescue helicopter was launched from RAF Leconfield on medical advice.

A spokesman at Hull Royal Infirmary said Armando Defuenteraina was "comfortable" today.

12 JUNE 83

FLT PAUL LONGDEN

M. NAN RON DEDMEN

SGT TERRY WILLIAMSON

Mountain mist poses a tough test for rescuers

A BIG mountain rescue exercise involving civilian and RAF experts turned out to be more realistic than anyone had ever dreamed.

For the mist came down on the high moors above Hebden Bridge, turning the project into a real test of navigation and co-ordination.

Four experienced members of the Bolton Mountain Rescue team were among the five teams of the Mid Pennine Mountain Rescue Panel who joined forces with a helicopter crew from D Flight of 202 Squadron RAF, based at Leconfield, near Hull.

They were team leader Howard Hill, aged 34, Ken Carroll, 32, Bob Hutchinson, 39, and Ian Leigh, 21.

"At first we feared the Wessex helicopter might not be able to get through," explained Bob Hutchinson. "But our fears were short lived when the message came over our radio that Delta 24 was on its way."

The civilians were split into three groups and each group was airlifted into remote search areas with the mission to locate, treat and rescue a "casualty."

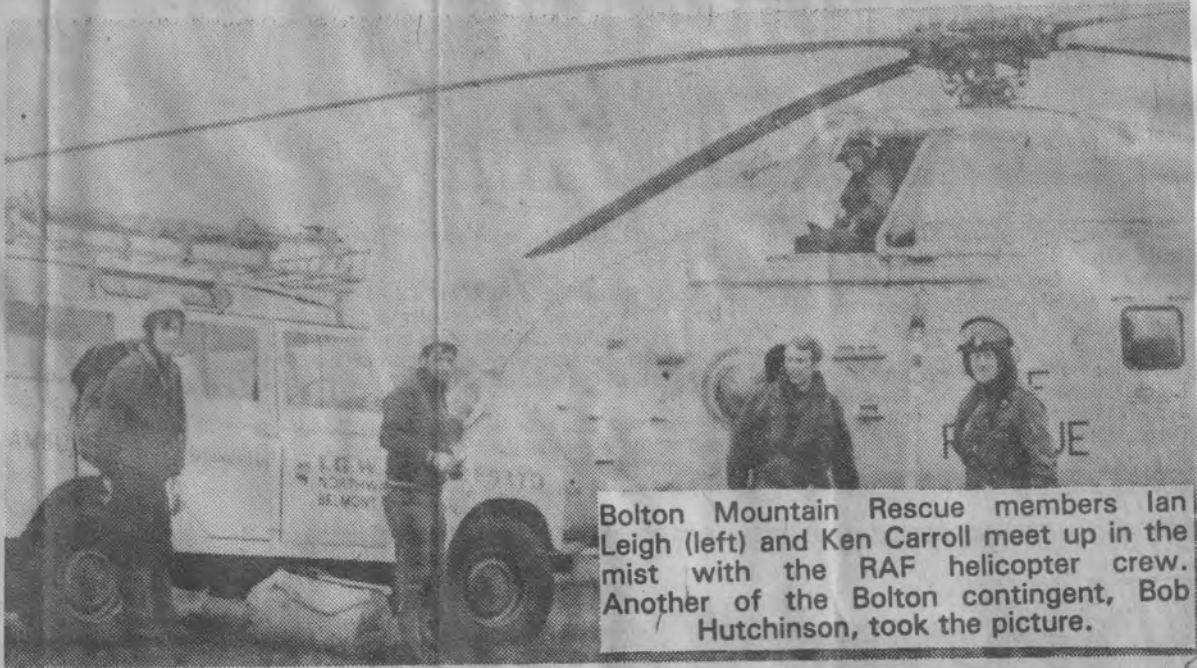
"One of the biggest problems for the pilot was finding a firm place to land because of all the soft peat on the moors. The winchman had to lie on the floor with his head and shoulders out of the door to make sure none of the four wheels was sinking into the waterlogged peat."

The team to which Bob and Howard Hill were assigned had to search for a man with a knee injury, fix him to a stretcher and then use an orange smoke signal to direct the pilot to a precise landing spot.

But when the chopper returned to try to pick up the rescuers, the mist had closed down so much the team had to walk quarter of a mile over the moors to a new rendezvous spot. The only place the pilot could land was on the end of the dam of Upper Gorpall reservoir, with just a couple of feet to spare behind the rear wheels.

The other teams who took part in the exercise were Preston based Bowland-Pennine, the Calder Vale team from Hebden Bridge, Holme Valley from Huddersfield and Haslingden based Rossendale team.

All had previous experience of helicopter rescues.



Bolton Mountain Rescue members Ian Leigh (left) and Ken Carroll meet up in the mist with the RAF helicopter crew. Another of the Bolton contingent, Bob Hutchinson, took the picture.

FLT LT	PAUL LONGDEN
FLT LT	ADRIAN RULE
MALM	DAVE ALLEN

17 JUNE 83

Injured rider is flown to hospital

A MOTORCYCLIST was rescued by an RAF helicopter after an accident on the fells north of Settle yesterday.

Terry Yates, 37, was taken to Airedale General Hospital with internal injuries. His condition was today described as "satisfactory."

He was hurt when a wheel got stuck in a rut and he was thrown off.

A police spokesman said: "The handlebars of the machine stuck in his stomach and arms and he received serious internal injuries."

The Settle Fell Rescue Team and a doctor were called to the scene and asked for a helicopter because of Mr. Yates' injuries and because the fell was not accessible from the road.

A helicopter from RAF Leconfield took Mr. Yates and the doctor to hospital.

Sqn. Ldr. Chris Paish said: "When we arrived he had already been carried off the hill by the Settle Fell Rescue Team."

"They took him to a field below Great Whernside. We picked him up on a stretcher with the doctor and took them to Airedale Hospital."

Mr. Yates, of Crawshaw Booth, Rossendale, Lancashire, was with five people from the Pendle Motorcycle Club, when he was injured.

The accident happened while they were riding the motorbikes along a bridleway between Ribbleshead and Dent at Force Gill, north of Settle.

Copter lift for injured biker

A MOTORCYCLE scrambler was taken to Airedale Hospital by helicopter after falling from his machine in the Yorkshire Dales. Mr. Terence Yates, 37, an engineer, of Crawshaw-booth, was with a party

from Pendle Motorcycle Club. They were riding on a public bridleway at Force Gill, between Ribbleshead and Dent, when the accident happened. His handlebars hit him in the stomach and chest, when his

wheel got stuck in a rut in the road. He sustained serious internal injuries. The Cave Rescue Organisation, and ambulance men from Settle were at the scene, but because of the terrain, and his in-

juries, a helicopter from RAF Leconfield was called in. A hospital spokesman said today that Mr. Yates had a comfortable night, and his condition was satisfactory.

S/LDR CHRIS PAISH
FLT LT MARK HEWITT
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19 JUNE 83

Rescue flight saves rider

A CROSS-COUNTRY accident at Blea Moor, motor-cyclist was recovering near Ribbleshead, yesterday after a helicopter rescue from a remote Yorkshire moorland.

The Wessex Helicopter from RAF Leconfield's air/sea rescue squadron, Ribbleshead to Dent, had flown 70-miles to rush Mr. Terry Yates, 37, to hospital after the accident on bogland.

A Land-Rover from Clapham Cave Rescue Organisation had got stuck trying to reach Mr. Yates who lay in the open for three hours with a ruptured spleen after the

near Ribbleshead, Mr. Yates of Rossendale, Lancs., was one of a five-man party from Pendle Motorcycle Club riding from Ribbleshead to Dent, had an operation and yesterday his condition at Airedale General Hospital was stable.

Cave rescue members carried Mr. Yates on a stretcher for one-and-a-half hours and fired flares to attract the helicopter. It took only 17 minutes to take Mr. Yates to hospital at Steeton.

Diver dies

A North Sea diver died yesterday in an incident off the Easington gas terminal, north of the Humber. He has been picked up by a helicopter from RAF Leconfield, but a doctor on board certified him dead. Details of how the accident happened are not available and he has not yet been named.

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Diver killed in pipeline check

A North Sea diver was killed yesterday while checking a British Gas pipeline off Spurnhead, north of the Humber.

Rodney Wallace, aged 30, of Appledram, Chichester, Sussex, was picked up by a helicopter from RAF Leconfield, but was dead on arrival at Hull General Hospital. An inquiry is to be held.

S/LDR PAISH
FLT/LT GRAHAM CLARK
FLT SGT STEVE LYNCH
2 JUNE 83

LATE NEWS

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Details of how accident happened not available and man not yet named.

Further tests ordered after post-mortem failed to discover how showjumper Caroline Bradley died.

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Accident boy airlifted to hospital

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Craig Ottaway, of 8 Dereham Road, Scarning, Norfolk, who is on holiday with his family at Butlins Holiday Centre, Filey, was on a fishing trip with his brother when he fell about 10 ft onto the rocks from a well-worn path.

Filey coastguards were alerted and called in an RAF helicopter, which landed on the Brigg to pick the boy up.

Craig's brother was taken off the Brigg by Filey inshore lifeboat.

9 JUNE 83

FLT LT JOHN SUTHERLAND

FLT LT ADRIAN RULE

MALM ERIC AINSWIE

Helicopter finds missing boy

A PATROLLING RAF helicopter was called in when 12-year-old Robert Murphy went missing with his dog on cliffs near Flamborough.

The alarm was raised after Robert had not returned to his parents' holiday caravan at Flamborough after three hours.

Coastguards began a search, and the helicopter spotted him near the lighthouse.

The crew dropped a winchman to tell Robert to stay where he was until the coastguards picked him up.

He was returned safely to the caravan.

In another incident, a visitor to a bird sanctuary near Bridlington saved the day when a boat got into trouble off the cliffs.

He rushed from Bempton Bird Sanctuary to Bempton village, a mile away, to telephone for help after seeing red emergency flares.

Two men from Leeds were aboard the boat, which had broken down.

It was taken in tow by an auxiliary coastguard boat and the Filey Inshore Lifeboat, which took it into Filey.

4 JUNE 83

FLT LT ANDY KIRKUP

FLT LT MARK HEWITT

FLT SGT WARWICK LAKEN

Divers rescued

Rescue services were alerted on Saturday after a father and son got into difficulties while diving near Filey Brigg.

Mr John Vogler, of 14 Lea Avenue, Leeds, and his 15-year-old son, Justin, were helped from the sea by an angler after they had become exhausted trying to climb out of the sea on to rocks.

A Rotherham holidaymaker had spotted the divers' plight and alerted coastguards.

The Filey inshore lifeboat and an RAF helicopter were alerted and the lifeboat arrived on the scene and checked that the two divers did not require medical attention.

5 JUNE 83

FLT LT JOHN SUTHERLAND

M. NAV RON DEEMEN

SGT TERRY WILLIAMSON



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By Ray Parkin

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Darren Larkin and Chris Archer, aged 11, from Rotherham, joke with Don Fitton, of the Coldstream Guards.



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GRAHAM CLARK

TERRY WILLIAMSON



RAF COLTISHALL.

EARLY IN JUNE JOHN SUTHERLAND,
RON DEEMEN AND ERIC AINSIE
MET THE QUEEN.

SHE WAS NOT IMPRESSED.



QUEENS VISIT RAF COLTISHALL

ERIC AINSWIE ON HIS KNEES

AGAIN.



BRIGADIER ALAN SIMMONS WHO
FORGOT HIS BEST BROWN JACKET



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(DE 3rd
Pioneer)

YOU SEE; THEY DO LOOK SMART
ONCE A YEAR



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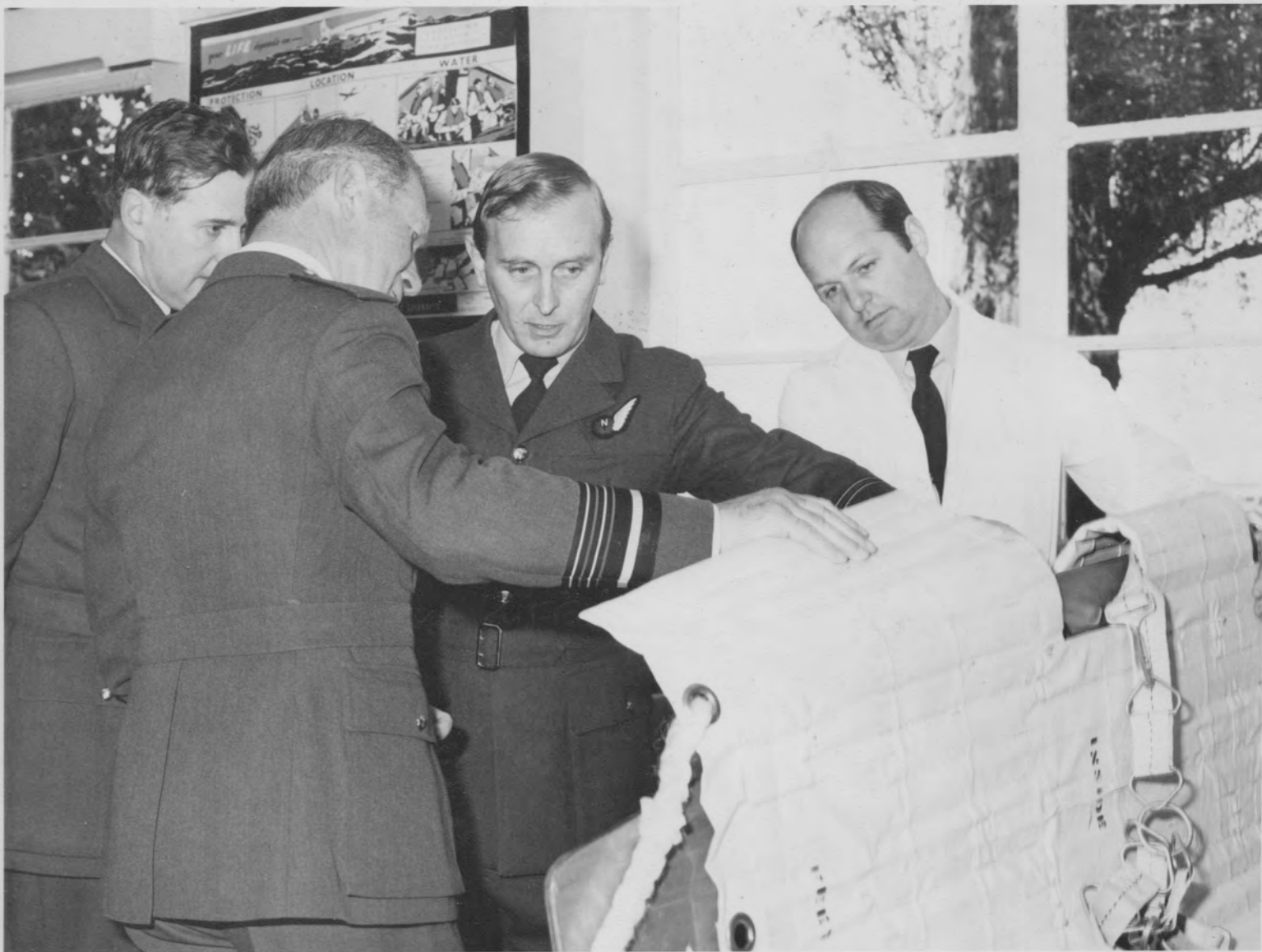
" LET'S HAVE ANOTHER GAME OF
MUSICAL CHAIRS"?

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MICK CHEAL (ATTENTIVE)

RALPH ROGERS (NOT —"—)

MARK SHAPLAND (IS THAT REALLY
A CAMERA?)



AOC's 15 JUNE 1983.

ADRIAN RULE & GEOFF MOLES

LOOK SUITABLY WORRIED !!



AOC WITH: RON DEDMAN (SURPRISED)
TERRY WILLIAMSON (SLEEPY)
JOHN SUTHERLAND (BORED)



Aoc's

JUNE '83

THE PARADE.



ROTHERHAM TATTOO - JUNE '83.
 FLT. LT. JOHN SUTHERLAND.
 FLT. LT. GRAHAM CLARK
 SGT. TERRY WILLIAMSON + CPL GEOFF MOLES
 AND 1/2 SAFETY EQUIP
 AND PROFESSIONAL SURVIVOR!

Fishing foursome plucked to safety

FOUR Dutch fishermen were winched to safety from two liferafts in the North Sea by an RAF helicopter last night after they were forced to abandon their fishing vessel.

The men were spotted in their liferafts by a Greek tanker about 60 miles from Flamborough Head. It alerted Humber coastguards who contacted the RAF. A Wessex helicopter from RAF Leconfield, Humberside, picked the men up.

Sea rescue

FOUR Dutch fishermen were winched to safety from two life rafts in the North Sea by an RAF helicopter after an engine room fire forced them to abandon their fishing vessel.

Seamen saved

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A Ministry of Defence spokesman said the men were seen in their liferafts by a Greek tanker about 60 miles from Flamborough Head.

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A Wessex helicopter from R.A.F. Leconfield, Humberside, picked the men up and flew them to R.A.F. Leeming in North Yorkshire.

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ADRIAN SAID :-

"WHEN WE GOT TO
LEEMING I SAID TO
CHRIS YOU GET ON AND
SORT OUT THE PRESS"

'NUFF SAID!!

Four winched to safety

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A Ministry of Defence spokesman said the men were first spotted in their life rafts by a Greek tanker about 60 miles from Flamborough Head.

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FISHERMEN RESCUED

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RAF rescue

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Four fishers rescued

Four Dutch fishermen were rescued from two liferafts in the North Sea by an RAF helicopter after they were forced to abandon their boat.

Coastguards said the fishing vessel, Breewyd, suffered an engine room fire 60 miles off Flamborough Head.

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A Wessex helicopter from Leeming picked the men up and flew them to R.A.F. Leeming in North Yorkshire. It is said that the vessel, Breewyd, suffered an engine-room fire. No-one was hurt.

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Four saved from sea

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Sea rescue

FOUR Dutch fishermen were winched to safety from two liferafts in the North Sea by an RAF helicopter last night after they were forced to abandon their fishing vessel about 60 miles from Flamborough Head, when the engine caught fire.

Fishing crew rescued

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Fishermen saved

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Helicopter rescues four seamen

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SEA RESCUE

Four Dutch fishermen were winched to safety from two liferafts in the North Sea off Yorkshire by an RAF helicopter after they were forced to abandon their vessel.

Fishermen safe

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Copter rescue drama

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Trio deny hitting pub boss

TWO men facing assault charges both told the jury yesterday they only hit one man.

Terence Gray, 21, and Brian Robson, 29, said at Durham Crown Court that they punched Timothy Bond because Bond had hit Robson's wife.

Gray, of Burrell Square, Townend Farm, Sunderland, and Robson, of Barmston Way, Washington, along with Robson's brother Stephen, 24, of Durham Gardens, Witton Gilbert, all plead not guilty to inflicting grievous bodily harm on Barry Gunn, licensee of the Travellers Rest, Witton Gilbert.

All three also plead not guilty to assaulting Michael Knight, of Rowley Drive, Broompark, and Mr Bond, of Alum Waters, New Brancepeth.

The Robson brothers also deny actual bodily harm on David Warren, of Incaman Road, Tow Law.

Mr William Lowe, prosecuting, has said that Gray and the Robson brothers were asked to leave the pub because they were making a noise. When they got outside a window was broken.

Broken



Sqn. Ldr. Chris Paish, front, with Adrian Rule, right, and Terry Williamson at RAF Leeming.

Rescue left 'copter high and near dry

AN RAF crew who rescued four Dutchmen from the sea, managed to land at a North-East base with only minutes to spare.

They arrived at RAF Leeming with only the minimum fuel required left, and Sqn. Ldr. Chris Paish said: "We had just enough to fly to Malton and land in a field if we couldn't get into Leeming."

But to Sqn. Ldr. Paish and his crew, Flt. Lt. Adrian Rule and Sgt. Terry Williamson, it was all part of the job.

They picked up four Dutch fishermen about 100 miles East of Scarborough after their trawler caught fire.

They had jumped overboard and spent over ten hours in the water before attracting the attention of a Greek tanker. The tanker picked them up and called out the air sea rescue.

Sqn. Ldr. Paish who is based at Leconfield, said: "It wasn't a difficult job, although the weather was fairly bad going out, and we had some problems finding the tanker."

"The four Dutchmen weren't hurt, they were just cold. We couldn't go back to Leconfield because it was fogbound and there was no radar, so we headed for Leeming," he added.

The Dutchmen spent the night at the medical centre at RAF Leeming and were due to fly home yesterday.



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Man found dead on golf course

A SCARBOROUGH man, 82, who went missing from an old people's home last Friday has been found dead near a cliff-top golf course at Scarborough.

Mr Hiram Hepworth had gone missing from the Holly Court Old People's Home in Priory Road. Staff and police carried out extensive searches because he was in a confused state and had a heart complaint.

An RAF rescue helicopter had joined in the search at the weekend.

His body was found in long grass on the edge of the South Cliff golf course at Scarborough after a golfer had reported seeing a man answering Mr Hepworth's description in the vicinity on Saturday night.

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RAF join hunt for man, 82

AN RAF rescue helicopter yesterday joined in the search for a missing 82-year-old man.

But despite intensive searches by police and dogs, backed by the helicopter from RAF Leconfield, no trace has been found of Mr Hiram Hepworth who disappeared from the Holly Court Old People's Home in Filey Road, Scarborough.

Police said Mr Hepworth was suffering from serious heart trouble and had great difficulty walking. He was also described as being in a confused state of mind.

When last seen he was wearing a beige cardigan, brown-green trousers and leather slippers.

S/LDR CHRIS PAISH
F/LT MARK HEWITT
MALM GORDON DAVIES

Missing man alert

POLICE were fearing the worst last night after an 82-year-old man was still missing from home. Despite extensive searches by officers and a RAF helicopter, no trace could be found of Mr Hiram Hepworth.

He was last seen on Friday afternoon when he walked out of the Holly Court Old People's Home in Filey Road, Scarborough. Police yesterday continued

with house-to-house inquiries while dog sections combed nearby cliff tops.

Mr Hepworth was suffering from serious heart trouble and had great difficulty walking. He was also described as being in a confused state of mind. He is described as being 5ft 11ins tall, well-built and balding. He was wearing a lambswool beige cardigan and brown-green trousers with leather-look slippers.

Man winched from ship

A man believed to have suffered a heart attack was winched from a fishing coble by an RAF helicopter off South Landing, in Bridlington Bay, today and taken to hospital in the resort. The helicopter was from 22 Sqn based at Leconfield, near Beverley.

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S/LDR JEFF WHITEHEAD
FLY LT ADRIAN RYLE
MALM DAVE ALLEN

Mercy flight

When Mr Joseph Cairns, aged 62, from Nuneaton, Warwickshire, was taken ill on a fishing trip in Bridlington Bay, an RAF helicopter from Leconfield airlifted him to an ambulance waiting at Bridlington coast-guard station. He was later reported in comfortable condition in hospital.

30 MINS FOR TOTAL SORTIE.

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Copter in mercy dash

AN RAF helicopter made a mercy dash across South Humberside and Lincolnshire yesterday after four people died in a helicopter crash off the Norfolk coast.

But the crew, from Leconfield, turned back at Louth when another rescue helicopter arrived on the scene. *AJ421*

S/LDR CHRIS PASH
FLY LT MARK HEWITT
MALM GORDON DAVIES

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CELEBRATED BY LOOKING FOR
AN ELDERLY GENTLEMAN LOST
IN WENSLEYDALE AND FLYING
7 HOURS IN THE DAY !!

Dales walker dies

AN elderly fell walker who collapsed and died while touring the Yorkshire Dales sparked off a massive police search at the weekend.

Police called out an RAF rescue helicopter to help look for 68-year-old John Roberts on Saturday as officers scoured the countryside. They were alerted by the owners of a Carlton-in-Coverdale guest house where Mr Roberts of Suffolk, had been staying on holiday. The

owners became concerned when he did not return from his Friday night walk.

Police were hampered in their search because they had no idea where Mr Roberts had gone. The helicopter spotted his car near Aysgarth. Swaledale Fell Rescue group joined the search. Mr Robert's body was found by a member of the public at 7 p.m. on Saturday at an isolated farmhouse near Thoraby, Aysgarth. An inquest is to be held.

S/LDR JEFF WHITEHEAD.

MASTER NAV RON DEDMEN

MASTER ALM ERIC AINSIE (BIRTHDAY BOY).

2 JULY 83

Oil slick spotted off Flamborough

A two-mile long oil slick has been sighted off Flamborough Head.

The slick was seen this morning by the crew of the Bridlington fishing boat Tradition, owned by Mr D. Jewitt of Flamborough. It was 8-miles off the coast and reported to be of "fairly thick" oil.

Fog is hampering efforts by Coastguards to pinpoint the direction the oil is now heading and its total extent.

A Coastguard spokesman said that RAF Leconfield had been contacted this morning but the fog meant that they were unable to send up an aircraft immediately to overfly the area to get more information about the slick.

He said that it was hoped that the wind would change to the west and blow the slick away from the coast.

Humberside County Emergency Planning Department has been informed along with East Yorkshire and Scarborough Councils.

A Scarborough Council spokesman said that they would be keeping an eye on the situation.

JEFF WHITEHEAD

ADRIAN RULE

TERRY WILLIAMSON